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Using tools strategically in the classroom is like using the correct measuring cups in the kitchen.

Model proper tool usage.

Encourage exploration.

Make tools readily available.

Identify the proper tools needed.

Detect possible errors.

Identify relevant external resources.

Use technological tools to explore and analyze.